

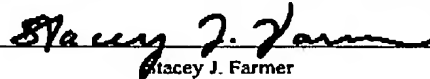
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed on July 14, 2006, please amend the application as follows. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the following amendment and remarks.

Furthermore, we make special note of the materials directed to the change of representative for the above-referenced application; specifically, the enclosed "Request of Power of Attorney with New Power of Attorney and Change of Correspondence Address", Form PTO/SB/82.

Amendments to the Claims are provided in the listing of Claims, beginning on page 2.

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